

City of Killeen

WHEREAS President George Herbert Walker Bush was a distinguished and honorable soldier and leader whose service to our nation is deserving of our remembrance and respect; and

WHEREAS Bush was born June 12, 1924 in Massachusetts, and his life would take him throughout the world; and

WHEREAS On his 18th birthday, Bush enlisted in the U.S. Navy to serve his country in World War II as a naval aviator; and

WHEREAS He flew more than 50 combat missions, surviving one in which his aircraft was damaged, and earned the Distinguished Flying Cross, three Air Medals and the Presidential Unit Citation; and

WHEREAS Upon his honorable discharge in 1945, he earned his college degree and moved with his young family to Texas to begin a successful career in the oil business; he would remain a lifelong Texan; and

WHEREAS Public service called yet again in 1963 but this time in the political arena; his political career included time as Congressman, Ambassador, Director of Central Intelligence, Vice President and President; and

WHEREAS Though most noted for decorated service and prestigious posts, it was his humility and care for fellow man that truly defined his life and set the example for generations to come; and

WHEREAS Killeen is a most patriotic city, and as such, it is befitting this great patriot that we lower our City flag and honor the national day of mourning in his memory.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jose L. Segarra, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Killeen do hereby proclaim December 5, 2018 as:

President George H. W. Bush Day

and encourage the citizens of Killeen to use this day to pay their respects to his memory.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Killeen to be affixed this 4th day of December, 2018.

Jose L. Segarra, MAYOR